AZCCC DX & TX Committee Meeting Minutes for 2-9-07 St. Joes. Great American Tower

Minutes were reviewed and accepted. Those in attendance were: Kendra Sabol, Jessica Han, Bill Mc.Mullen, Becky Howard.

Mini-Grant Update

Ms. Howard provided an update on the mini grant Directory of Cancer Services project. The directory is complete minus pagination and renumbering of the index and table of contents. Due to the fact that ADHS will be reformatting it was not required to do this task with the project. Ms. Sabol reported that the CDC has awarded funding to publish this document and that aprox. 2200 directories will be printed for distribution around the state. Ms. Howard will present the Directory at this evening's Steering Committee and Chair dinner.

The CCC Plan

It was decided that the committee will move off Objective 3.1 (Expanding Telemedicine) from our priority lists. A formal statement on this decision is enclosed. See last meeting minutes for more information.

Objective 3.2 is complete—see the Directory of Cancer Services for Arizona!

Objective 3.3 (Reducing Geographic Barriers) will be the next focus of the DX and TX Team. The next steps on this project will consist of hosting a work session to map out a time line for strategies that will help us meet this goal by 2010. We will focus on 3.3 e and g primarily.

Recruitment and Retention

It is clear that a formal recruitment and retention plan is needed for the AZCCC as a whole. In regards to the DX and TX committee we will have difficulty moving on with the next objective until more members are at the table. Therefore our next priority as a committee is to strategize who it is we need at the table to be successful in accomplishing the scope of Objective 3.3 e and g.

TASK Members are asked to bring a list of contacts to the next meeting for a strategy session around recruitment and retention.

We will work in conjunction with Kendra and the larger AZCCC groups R & R plan while moving forward to head hunting the right people for the DX and TX tasks ahead. Please come prepared with ideas for recruitment and retention and names of potential members for the next meeting.

Oncologic Image-Guided Interventions: Opportunities for Collaboration

Mr. McMullen provided the team with an update from the 7th National Forum on Biomedical Imaging in Oncology. Included were updates on devices, clinical trials issues, networks and collaborations and networking with top cancer orgs and centers as well as government agencies.

A discussion followed centered on Arizona's need to move toward more collaboration with innovative cancer companies (device companies, clinical trial groups, advanced treatment technologies etc.) and how we can develop more mutually beneficial relationships with these forward-thinking companies to expand and increase Arizona's utilization of the latest in cancer diagnosis and treatment technologies.

TASK Mr. McMullen will send a link to the AZCCC members to the slides from the Forum.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the DX and TX Committee will be held on March 19th at 2 p.m. location TBA.

The DX and TX Chairs will meet with the U of A Evaluation Team on March 7th from 10-12 at ADHS.